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PARTIAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

Sir:

Pursuant to our telephone conference and in partial response to the Office Action of September 23, 2003, I am FAXing to you the following:

1. Copy of the "Response to Decision Of PCT Legal Office"

This was a response to the decision of March 27, 2002 which required a correct translation of the German application. I am sending you this correct translation. You will note that the response indicates that the translation of the specification is the same as the prior translation objected to but it now correctly shows twelve claims instead of thirteen.

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2. Copy of the Published PCT Application

The published PCT application shows Figures 1-7. You will see that except for numbers 30 and 32 none of the other numbers you reported missing in the specification are on the drawings. In this regard numbers 30 and 32 are in the prior and updated translations (see line 14 of page 7 of updated translation).

I hope that this clarifies this matter and assists in your further consideration of this application.

In view of the above, I would request that the time for response (now due on December 23, 2003) be extended for an amended Office Action.

I do appreciate your cooperation in this matter. Please call me after you have reviewed this.

Respectfully submitted,

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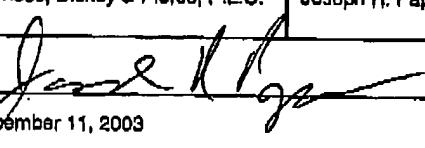
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